

(Rep. No. 275.)

FEBRUARY 28, 1843.

Read three times, and passed.

Mr. T. W. WILLIAMS, from the Committee on Commerce, reported the following bill :

A BILL

To establish a port of delivery at the city of Lafayette, in the State of Louisiana.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 the city of Lafayette, in the State of Louisiana, shall be a port
4 of delivery ; that a surveyor shall be appointed to reside at
5 said port ; that all ships and vessels bound to said port shall,
6 after proceeding thereto, and making report and entry at the
7 port of New Orleans, within the time limited by law, be per-
8 mitted to unlade their cargoes at the said city of Lafayette,
9 adjoining the city of New Orleans, under the rules and reg-
10 ulations prescribed by law.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That* all vessels about
2 to report from the said port of Lafayette, for foreign ports
3 and places, shall be permitted to clear out, with their cargoes,
4 at the custom-house in the city of New Orleans, and depart,
5 under the same rules and regulations as from the port of
6 New Orleans ; and goods or merchandise imported into the

7 United States, and exported from said port of Lafayette, shall
8 be entitled to the benefit of a drawback of the duties upon
9 exportation to any foreign port or place, under the same pro-
10 visions, regulations, restrictions, and limitations, as if the
11 said goods, wares, and merchandise, had been exported di-
12 rectly from New Orleans.